

## Long-term Benefits

This \$7.2 million project includes a significant partnership between the city of Reading, MDOT and the Hillsdale County Road Commission. MDOT and the Granholm administration are committed to providing Michigan with a safe, efficient and seamless transportation system that grows Michigan's economy, protects Michigan families, and improves the quality of life in every Michigan community.

## How Will We Keep Motorists Informed?

For up-to-date information on this project, go to the list of statewide lane closures on MDOT's Web site at [www.michigan.gov/laneclosures](http://www.michigan.gov/laneclosures).



# M-49 (Main Street) and Michigan Street Reconstruction City of Reading

## Construction and Motorist Information

Fall 2008 - Fall 2009

### For More Information

Call the Jackson  
Transportation Service Center at:

**517-780-7540**

Visit MDOT's Web site at:

**[www.michigan.gov/mdot](http://www.michigan.gov/mdot)**

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## What Is Being Done?

This fall, the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) will begin a major reconstruction project on M-49 (Main Street) in the city of Reading. The project stretches from the south city limits to the north city limits, and includes the reconstruction of Michigan Street from M-49 to Chestnut Street.

The M-49 project involves road reconstruction, new sidewalks, curb and gutter, water main, and storm sewer. Additionally, decorative lighting, pavers and ornamental plantings will be added to downtown Reading as part of an enhancement grant that the city received.

A preventive maintenance project on M-49, from the state line north to US-12, will happen concurrently with the work in Reading. This resurfacing project will be done in summer of 2009. As part of this project, sidewalk repairs also will be made in the village of Camden.

## How Will Traffic Be Affected?

Traffic will be maintained in Reading at all times, using temporary road widening along M-49 and a detour route within the city.

In the fall of 2008, work will begin in Reading including tree removals, utility relocations, storm sewer installation outside of the city, and temporary paving.

In early spring 2009 until mid-summer 2009, work will start on M-49 from Michigan Street to the north city limits. At the same time, construction will begin on Michigan Street. During this stage of work, a detour route will be posted for northbound traffic that follows Silver Street, Union Street, and Lincoln Street.

From mid-summer 2009 until fall 2009, work will start on M-49 from the south city limits to just south of Michigan Street. During this time, the same detour route will be used for southbound traffic as was used for northbound traffic.

## Reading is Open for Business!

MDOT wants to remind everyone that while M-49 is under construction, Reading is still open for business! Access to businesses will be maintained at all times, and the city has ample parking at existing lots behind the downtown buildings. As part of this project, construction has been staged to assure traffic will have access to businesses and homes at all times.

